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- ☒ Form 1449
- ☒ Transmittal Sheet
- ☒ Return postcard

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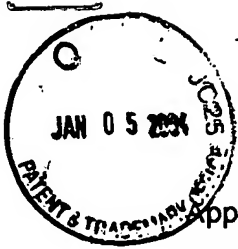
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) or (c)**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) respectfully submit(s) the items of information on the enclosed Form 1449 for the attention of the Examiner in the above-identified application.

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Respectfully submitted,

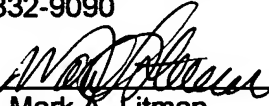
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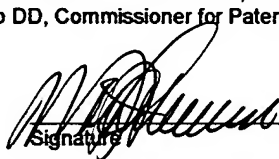
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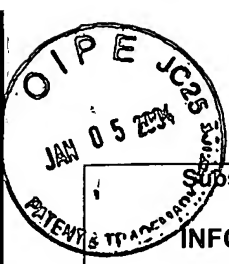
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